

STATE OF CONNECTICUT STATE ELECTIONS ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION

TESTIMONY PRESENTED BEFORE THE EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

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Statement of Michael J. Ajello, Commissioner State Elections Enforcement Commission

Good afternoon, Senator Duff, Representative Janowski, Senator Kane, Representative Buck-Taylor, and distinguished members of the Executive and Legislative Nominations Committee. My name is Michael Ajello.

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to appear before you today regarding my renomination to the State Elections Enforcement Commission. I am honored to be nominated by Senate Minority Leader Len Fasano to serve in this capacity

By profession I am an attorney and have been for almost twenty years. Currently my practice is focused in the areas of real estate closings, real estate law, and civil litigation. A large portion of my litigation experience involves real estate issues including foreclosures, condemnation actions, partition actions, land use appeals, summary process and other landlord-tenant disputes, and other property related litigation, as well as commercial litigation, and contracts. I have also served as Chairman of the Planning and Zoning Commission of Hamden.

Senate Minority Leader John McKinney first nominated me in November 2013, and I have now served in this capacity for the past three years. I have found that time to be rewarding and interesting, and I look forward to continuing to serve. Now having been through one full CEP election cycle and one full municipal cycle I feel well prepared to execute my duties as Commissioner for the this upcoming election and more in the future.

It has been a privilege to serve on the State Elections Enforcement Commission and, if approved by the General Assembly, I look forward to my continued involvement in matters regarding election laws.

I appreciate your consideration and welcome the opportunity to answer any questions you may have. Thank you.